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## CHEERFUL NEWS

The following is a copy of a dispatch in the Chicago Record-Examiner.

### "Tuition Free in Esperanto School

Lithopolis, O., Sep. 25.—On October 1 the first Esperanto school in the United States, and the first edowed institution of its kind in the world will be opened in the Adam W. Wagnalls Memorial here. Mrs. Mabel Wagnalls Jones of Northport, Long Island, donor of the half million dollar memorial, which, during the passed year, has attracted 100,000 visitors to this village of 283 people, is the daughter of the late New York publisher. Day and night classes and correspondence classes have been organized, and are being offered without cost to any interested person in the world."

Our readers will be interested to know that Mabel Wagnalls is the author of a good many excellent stories, some of which were translated into our "kara lingvo" by that fine old gentleman, 85 years young, Ex-president de E. A. N. A. — Edward S. Payson of Lexington, Mass.

Her story "La Rozujo Ĉiumiljara" is considered as "unu de la plej bonaj rakontoj" eldonitaj dum la jaro 1916.

In the preface to the Esperanto Edition she says

"Ĉiu pensemulo tenadas al la vizio de **Homa Frateco,** kaj ĉiu normala koro, konscie aŭ senkonscie, volus hepli al la efektivado de tia vizio. Ŝajnas kvazaŭ niaj penoj ne tute sukcesas, tiel furioza kaj blindigita estas la nuntempa tumulto, tamen la atenta observanto ĉi tie kaj tie trovos firme enradikitajn semitajojn de la afero, kiuj pli aŭ malpli frue donos frukton.

"Unu el ĉi tiuj, ŝajnas al mi, estas la **lingvo Esperanto,** tiel bela je nomo kaj celo; la lingvo intencita por unuigi la diversajn

naciojn. Simile al timema floro floranta meze de bajonetoj, ĝi penas kreski—kvankam la mondo estas tute flamanta.

"Pro la jena tradukaĵo per kiu Sinjoro Payson honoras mian etan rakonton, mi sentas min agrable ekscitita pro la ideo ke eble mi ankaŭ kontribuis almenaŭ iomete al la vizio **Frateca.** Mi esperas ke Esperanto daŭros ĝis la alveno de la tago, kiam oni verdire povos ĝin nomi

La lingvo ĉiumiljara."

Mabel Wagnalls.

Samideano Payson can be proud and glad that he lived long enough to see the result of his endeavor so wonderfully realized. Li semis kaj semis pri l' tempoj estontaj pensante, lia semo enradikiĝis en la koro de Mabel Wagnalls kaj alportis al ni ĉiuj frukton benatan.

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## A RESOLUTION AND A PLEDGE

The Topeka Esperanto Association, at their August meeting, passed the following resolution, which they addressed to the Secretary and officers of E. A. N. A.

"Aŭdinte pri la elekto de vi kaj viaj kolegoj kiel novaj oficistoj, ni volas esprimi al vi niajn korajn gratulojn. Ni ĉiuj balotis por vi, kaj nun ni tenas altajn esperojn pri la estonto de nia E. A. N. A. kaj pri via fideleco. Ni fidas vin, kaj promesas al vi fidelecon. Ordonu nin! Ni respondos! Ni rekomendas vin al la Dia gvidado!

Kun nia alta respekto,

John H. Fazel, Direktoro. George P. Morehouse, Prezidanto.
Lida R. Hardy, Sekretariino.

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## LA DEK DEVOJ DE LA ESPERANTISTO

1. Bone sciu la lingvon, traktu ĝin kun respekto, kaj lasu la versfaradon al poetoj.

2. Esperanton uzu parolante, studu legante kaj ne fuŝu skribante.

3. La plibonigistoj diskutu; vi Fundamenton sekvu kaj fidela restu.

4. Propagandu ĉiam, ne ĉie; klarigu, ne prediku; rakontu faktojn, ne esperojn.

5. Kion vi povas lerni nur en unu semajno, ne instruu en unu horo; el malgravaĵoj ne faru regulon, kaj el la regulo ne faru malgravaĵon.

6. Verkante en Esperanto, ne kredu interesa, kion nacilingve neniu legus; ne imagu, ke preseraroj plibeligas libron, ne malesperu, se mankas aĉetantoj.
7. Al grupo aliĝu; la kunvenon vizitu; Esperanton parolu.
8. Atentu, ke internacia lingvo vivos nur per uzado; memoru, ke tial internacia organizaĵo estas necesa, senlace varbu por U. E. A.
9. Legu gazeton, por ke vi konu novajn faktojn; abonu, por ke ĝi povu ekzisti; kunlaboru, por ke ĝi estu interesa.
10. **Por Esperanto kiel movado agu; por ĝi kiel realaĵo pagu, kaj kiel altan idealon konservu ĝin en via koro.**

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St. Paul, Minn., Oct. 1, 1927.

## TO THE MEMBERS AND FRIENDS OF THE ESPERANTO ASSOCIATION OF NORTH AMERICA AND SUBSCRIBERS TO AMERIKA ESPERANTISTO

Karaj Samideanoj:

We, your finance committee, after careful consideration of the requirements of E. A. N. A. for the Congress year beginning Oct. 1, 1927, and ending Sept. 30, 1928, and having submitted our proposals to the executive committee for their approval, submit to you herewith the plan as outlined below.

If our Association is to prosper this year a vast amount of work must be done immediately. This is the season for organizing classes, clubs and societies. Those who join the groups this fall will likely become members of E. A. N. A. before the end of the Congress year. But if we wait until spring to get them organized this year will be lost. In order to put over a vigorous drive for organizing groups during the autumn and early winter we must have funds immediately. We feel that this is a much better policy than asking for funds next spring with which to pay deficits. We hope you will study these proposals carefully and do all you can to help realize the high aim set forth.

### THE PROPOSALS

1. Enroll a membership in each state and province according to the following quotas: Alabama 10, Arizona 10, Arkansas 10, California 100, Colorado 15, Connecticut 15, Delaware 15, District of Columbia 25, Florida 15, Georgia 10, Idaho 10, Illinois 100, Indiana 25, Iowa 50, Kansas 50, Kentucky 10, Louisiana 10, Maine 10, Maryland 25, Massachusetts 100, Michigan 100, Minnesota 100, Mississippi 5, Missouri 50, Montana 10, Nebraska 10, Nevada 5, New Hampshire 15, New Jersey 100, New Mexico 5,

New York 200, North Carolina 10, North Dakota 10, Ohio 100, Oklahoma 10, Oregon 15, Pennsylvania 100, Rhode Island 15, South Carolina 10, South Dakota 10, Tennessee 10, Texas 25, Utah 10, Vermont 10, Virginia 10, Washington 25, W. Virginia 15, Wisconsin 100, Wyoming 5, Alaska 5, Canada—Alberta 10, Manitoba 25, Ontario 50, Quebec 50, Saskatchewan 10, British Columbia 25, Maritime Provinces of Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, Newfoundland and Prince Edward Island 10.

2. Enroll an equal number of subscribers for Amerika Esperantisto and according to the same quotas.

In assigning these quotas all known factors have been taken into account, such as population, present number of members, strength of groups and quality of leadership, etc., etc., and while there may prove to be inequalities in the assignments we believe that no assignment is too large.

3. In lieu of the usual $1,000. guarantee fund subscribe $500. in outright donations.

4. Subscribe $500. in the nature of a loan to a revolving Book Fund to be set up and maintained for the purchase and sale of books and literature and into which will be paid the proceeds of all book sales except 10%, which 10% shall be paid into a sinking fund for the liquidation of said loan. Said loan shall be a lien on the sinking fund, the book fund and all stocks of books belonging to the society. Said loan shall not be a personal obligation against the officers or members of the E. A. N. A. or the subscribers to Amerika Esperantisto. The loan shall bear interest at 5%, payable out of any funds available semi-annually. And the amount in the sinking fund shall be applied semi-annually to reduce the amount of said loan.

Last year the book sales amounted to $1,400. We estimate that the sales this year should not be less than $2,000 and thus $200 would accrue i the sinking fund or 40% of the loan. At this rate the entire loan would be liquidated in 2½ years. If less than the full amount of the proposed $500 should be subscribed the time of liquidation would be reduced. And it is agreed that not more than $500 will be accepted on this loan, so that the loan cannot exceed the proposed $500.

There will be a monthly report in Amerika Esperantisto on the progress of this campaign, showing in each case the amount of money subscribed to date, and also showing the progress that each state has made in raising its quota of memberships and subscriptions.

Respectfully submitted,

FINANCE COMMITTEE E. A. N. A.

Henry W. Libby, Chairman, 682 Endicott Bldg., St. Paul, Minn.
Kenneth M. Morrison, 1st Nat'l Bank, Minneapolis, Minn.
Amy C. Leavitt, Treas., 706—11th St. N. W. Washington, D. C.

For your convenience we print herewith blanks for both of these funds and for the various kinds of membership which you will fill in, sign and forward to the central office at 1001 Commerce Bldg., St. Paul, Minnesota.

## APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP

Please enroll me as....................member of E. A. N. A. in the class of membership indicated.

Classes of membership in E. A. N. A.: 1. Life members $100. 2. Sustaining members $10. 3. Contributing members $3.00. 4. Regular members $2.00. These four classes include Amerika Esperantisto. 5. Regular members without Amerika Esperantisto $1.00.

If you have already paid your dues for this year fill out the membership blank and mark it paid. If you wish to change to another class the dues already paid will be credited on the new class.

## SUBSCRIPTION TO THE ORGANIZATION FUND

I hereby subscribe to the Organization Fund the sum of $..........for this Congress year. I enclose $..........and will pay the sum of $..........on the first day of December, 1927, and $..........on the first day of February, 1928.

## SUBSCRIPTION TO THE BOOK FUND LOAN

I hereby subscribe the sum of $..........as a loan to the Book Fund. I herewith enclose the sum of $..........and will pay the sum of $..........on the..........day of............ 1927 and the sum of $..........on the..........day of........ 1928.

Date .................... Name ............................

Post Office .................... Street or Route ............

## ESPERANTO AT THE W. F. E. A. CONFERENCE, TORONTO

Among the many forces which are making for international good-will and understanding, the influence of the organized teaching profession must be reckoned with. The foundation of the World Federation of Education Associations in 1923 is an evidence that teachers as a whole feel that a large share of the responsibility for international relations rests upon them. Naturally, we Esperantists believe that these "better understandings," so often proclaimed by the Federation, are hardly realizable without the general use of an international language, but until lately no formal recognition of this fact has ever been given by the Federation. This is not to be wondered at when we realize that in its own work the language problem has never arisen, for the places of meeting thus far have been San Francisco, Edinburgh and Toronto—in each case an English-speaking country—and at least nine-tenths of the participants have come from this country, Canada and the British Isles. The announcement of a Conference in Toronto this year then came as a challenge to the Esperantists of North America to call attention to a matter which seemingly these educators have overlooked. At the Green Acre Congress of E. A. N. A. its president was elected Official Delegate to the Federation's Conference and the two overseas organizations, U. E. A. and the "Internacia Centra Komitato" soon after made a similar appointment.

Contrary to a well-justified expectation there had been no provision made in the general program by the officers of the Federation for any speaker for our cause, and your Delegate after his arrival in Toronto made several fruitless efforts to obtain a hearing in Convocation Hall, the largest auditorium in the University and where all of the general meetings were held. However, the section meetings were entirely open and here your Delegate had the opportunity of speaking on three separate occasions. In addition, the several committees to elaborate the details of the "Herman-Jordan Peace Plan" offered opportunities, not merely to speak but to present resolutions. In two of these committees, No. 3 on "Student Contacts" and No. 5 on "Peaceful Means of Settling International Disputes" your Delegate presented a resolution recommending the appointment of a Commission to investigate the subject of Esperanto, "particularly as to its practicability in furthering the aims of the Federation." In the first of these Committees the resolution failed, but in the second it passed,—unanimously, I believe,—and received approval without a disssenting voice in the full session of the Federation on the following day; but with one non-essential change, however. As presented by the Committee, it was recom-

mended that the Commission investigate the subject of an international language, but not specifically mentioning Esperanto,—evidently a gesture of impartiality toward the whole IAL field.

What the W. F. E. A. will do now remains to be seen. The Board of Directors contains at least two members favorable to the cause. In any event some eventual good is sure to come from the action just taken, particularly in view of the certainty that some time, perhaps at the next Conference, the Federation will meet on the continent of Europe, there to be confronted by the fact that the diversity of tongues is a serious hindrance to efficient world cooperation.

H. W. Hetzel.

## AN ENTHUSIASTIC LETTER

(From an Esperantist who attended the Green Acre Congress, to his daughter.)

"My dear Florence:—

"I came back from Green Acre yesterday, after three wonderful days in a beautiful dreamland come true, with only one regret, namely that you were not with me to share its inspiration! I have promised myself that you shall be when I am able to go again to a Congress of the Esperanto Association of North America.

"Ordinary language will not describe the thrills in such an experience, and so I will not attempt it now, but some day soon we will have a quiet talk, and then I shall hope to convey to you some of the significance of an event which can only be appreciated through the actual experience.

"I was a stranger and they took me in, and I was made to realize a fellowship that I had dreamed of, but never believed possible on this human plane of existence. The curtain was lifted and I was permitted to glimpse some of the beauties of that New Kingdom on earth that has been the hope of the ages, and I know that you will understand when I tell you that before going to bed at 2.30 yesterday morning, I went down on my knees and thanked the Giver of every good and perfect gift, for what I had been allowed to experience.

"You will say, perhaps, that I was under the influence of strong emotions; granted; but so was the inventor of the telegraph when he and his friends saw it tried out, and I promise you that if you will get the vision of the possibilities of 'our dear language, Esperanto'—the vision held by its founder, our beloved Dr. Zamenhof, and which has been caught and is being carried forward and translated into reality by scores of earnest

men and women, people representative of the best intellect and culture of this and other lands,—if, I say, you get such a vision and if, happily, it comes through contact with these forward-looking people, you, too, will come under the influence of strong emotions, as would anyone whose heart was not a stone, and these emotions I will guarantee will not hurt you—even though they bring tears to your eyes, they will be tears of joy, and joy never kills!

"To go back to yesterday morning—and you will understand that morning begins after midnight—we had thoroughly enjoyed the annual banquet, and our Secretary, Miss Meriam, had asked me if I thought I had received good value in return for my money. I told her I most certainly had, and I want to tell you that I wouldn't part with the memories of this Congress for many times what it has cost.

"I slept awhile, and after breakfast attended the Esperanto Sunday School conducted by Mr. Joseph J. Burita,—a man whom to know is to love. The lesson was from the Prodigal Son, in the 15th of Luke. This was followed by a few inspired words by one of our Esperantists, Mr. Morton, in which he gave us a fine application of the truth and a new appreciation of the meaning of faith. I came away feeling the presence of a great benediction.

"Hoping to see you before long, I am as always,

Your affectionate Dad."

## A BEGINNER IN ESPERANTO

A first meeting with samideanoj; a first kongreso—there among the pines on a great hill above the Piscataqua tides, in historic Maine, stands the inn and auditorium where we assembled.

And great indeed was my enjoyment to mingle among those devout Esperantists as they "carried on" for their kara lingvo. I viewed with respect and consideration those in disagreement while I felt drawn by ties of admiration and faith to those in sympathy; all of us bound by a spirit of fraternity and harmony.

And the personal touches—how charming!—my first glimpse of Esperantists at chess; the interchange of pleasantries as we rambled over the Island; the visit to Kittery, and tea time at Wentworth by the Sea; the enlivening repartee as we strolled to the Fellowship House; moonlight dialogues on the pier; the group on the hill enjoying the clouds and tracing the sun; the helpful instruction by Ruhi Effendi and his fellow Bahaists; the oft repeated pronunciation of "Chicago"; the speakers and speeches at the banquet, and the Virginia Reel and Paul Jones

that followed; the private dancing lesson; the youth who hiked and the man who heard Esperanto spoken for the first time at the congress; the fascinating men and women from other lands with their songs in French, Swedish, German, Turkish, Kurd and Persian, as we sat on the porch late into that Saturday night;—the fond farewells, and the early morning departure.

Memory's picture, framed in friendships! Let's name it Esperantujo.

## THE BIRTH OF THE TWIN CITY ESPERANTO CLUB

Three years ago the Twin City Esperanto Club (St. Paul, Minneapolis) was still in the making. There were a few isolated Esperantists, three of whom would meet occasionally to bewail the unhappy state of affairs. The trio consisted of Mr. Charles H. Briggs, flour chemist and U. E. A. Delegate, Prof. James C. Sanderson, of the University of Minnesota, and myself. All of us were Esperantists of long standing, and the apathy of years of service was upon us. We had seen how difficult it is to maintain a club of any kind year after year, and we had no rosy hopes about the future of Esperanto in the Twin Cities. We continued to meet sporadically, and on these sad occasions we always ended by weeping copiously (I speak figuratively, of course).

Then, one propitious day, came a new professor to the University of Minnesota, Dr. Edwin L. Clarke. He moved into an apartment just vacated by my family, so we became acquainted. That same week Mrs. Clarke came to my office to see me professionally and my first duty was to gain her confidence through conversation. Followed a half hour of small talk. We chatted about the weather and the kiddies and the University, and about the weather and the kiddies and the University, and still we didn't seem to be getting acquainted. We discussed the weather once more, backward and forward, then in sheer desperation I blurted out, "Have you ever heard anything about Esperanto?" She almost jumped out of the chair. "Are you an Esperantist!" she exclaimed with beaming eyes and with a smile we have all learned to like. "Mr. Clarke will be very glad to know that. He also is an Esperantist and has taught the language at Clark University." Thus the ice was broken and we were acquainted.

An hour later I dismissed Mrs. Clarke; a few moments later I myself left the office. When I reached the street Dr. Clarke was there waiting for his wife. She had not yet arrived and it later developed that she had gone another way and had missed him. That was lucky for us. Dr. Clarke greeted me as he might have greeted any passing acquaintance and I replied, "Bonan vesperon!" I shall never forget the smile that lit up his face.

Both of us seemed to realize that a lengthy conversation was ahead of us, so he leaned up against a mail box, while I braced myself against a sturdy oak. Then for half an hour or more the air sizzled with Esperanto phrases. Just before saying "Ĝis la revido" I told him about Mr. Briggs and Prof. Sanderson. A few days later the four of us got together for an interparolado.

How should we get Esperanto on the map again?—the same old question that had bothered us for so many years. The three of us were sceptical; not so Dr. Clarke. "I've taught Esperanto at Clark University; why can't we teach it at this University." To me the suggestion seemed preposterous. The time was not yet ripe for anything like that. Perhaps when we were all dead and gone and our children's children were attending the University, then, maybe, some poor professor would be teaching Esperanto in some obscure room in a still more obscure building of the University. I felt ashamed that a man of Dr. Clarke's standing would countenance such a silly thought, but owing to an inborn Inferiority Complex I didn't date to tell him what an ass I thought he was.

The very next day he and Prof. Sanderson called upon the powers that be and asked that Esperanto be taught in the evening classes. "Why certainly," replied one of the powers. "If you can get an enrollment of fifteen go ahead, but we can't give credit for the language." Thus, simple as ABC, was Esperanto introduced into the University of Minnesota.

That fall Dr. Clarke taught an enthusiastic class of fifteen, and an advanced course was given after the holidays. In the spring the playlet, Ĝis la Revido, was presented before the University Cosmopolitan Club. A number of people from St. Paul were present and became interested in Esperanto. They asked that a lecture on Esperanto be given before the St. Paul Cosmopolitan Club and it was my privilege to deliver the lecture. The result was the organization of an Esperanto class in St. Paul.

Just before the University closed that year Dr. Clarke called a meeting of the Esperantists and the Twin City Esperanto Club was formed and the following officers elected: Lehman Wendell, Pres.; Charles H. Briggs, Vice-Pres.; Chas. W. Barnes, Sec.; Henry W. Libby, Treas. These officers are still serving.

What has transpired since the birth of the Twin City Esperanto Club is now a matter of recorded history and has therefore no place here. This brief sketch teaches us a valuable lesson. Where you least expect to find a convert to the cause of Esperanto you are often apt to find him. The wise enthusiast is therefore ready at all times to put in a good word for Esperanto.

Lehman Wendell.

## DOMESTIC ESPERANTO NEWS

### TWIN CITY CLUB RESUMES

The Twin City Club held its first "kunsido" of the season on the 12th Sept. In spite of the intense heat the session lasted four hours and every moment was filled with interesting "events."

Mr. Reuben A. Tanquist, who last spring prepared an Esperanto Thesis for his Master's Degree at Minnesota University based upon questionnaires received from more than seven hundred Esperantists from twenty-five countries gave us some interesting observations on his investigations and studies. Among other data Mr. Tanquist concluded that fifty-two per cent of all Esperantists became interested through personal contact with other Esperantists. This is a very good point for us to remember and so endeavor to extend our contacts as wide as possible to draw others into our movement.

President Lehman Wendell outlined the Radio course to be broadcast this year from Minneapolis-St. Paul Station WCCO, also the correspondence course offered this year by Minnesota University.

Mr. Charles H. Briggs, our vice president outlined the recent advances made by Esperanto in many lands. Mr. Newel Boyes a recent acquisition to our club from Winnipeg, Canada conducted a Spertularo exercise in which most of those present took part.

Charles W. Barnes reported upon the success of the Esperanto exhibit at the State Fair and the present status of E. A. N. A.

Among those taking part in the discussion were Henry W. Libby, J. A. Barker, Mrs. A. W. Hofer and Mrs. Helen Frink.

The Club is preparing for a great rally to take place at Minnesota University on October 11th, at which time the club will launch forth on its campaign for the new year. Let Boston, Cleveland, New York, Harmonio, Chicago, Washington, Philadelphia et al look out for their laurels.

### ARLINGTON, MASS. TO HAVE CLUB

Mrs. Malouf writes that it is to be a Literary Esperanto Club. The program calls for a paper to be read in English on some subject of international interest, reading of a selection of Esperanto literature, a lesson in Esperanto, a conversation period followed by music and tea. The latter is to be a Russian Tea served on an American gateleg table, with Syrian Cakes or French Toast made in a Spanish Kitchen accompanied by an Orchestra consisting of two Italians, one Frenchman, one German, one American, all playing Esperanto Music.

## CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

The second Thursday evening in October will witness the opening of two Esperanto classes at the home of Beatrice Hayes Podell, 1910 Bradley Place. "Esperanto for All" and the Lingvaphone Esp. Course will be used as texts. It will be purely conversational and each session will open with the singing of an Esp. song. Judging by the interest already shown, there will be an enrollment of more than 50 students.

A gathering for elementary study of Espranto is held every Monday night at 7.30, Maxwell's Vegetarian Restaurant, 35 E. Van Buren St. Visitors to Chicago will be welcomed at any of our gatherings.

Chicago Esperanto Club, La Gradata No. 2, meets every second and fourth Wednesday night at 7.30 at Maxwell's Vegetarian Restaurant, 365 W. Madison St.

## TOPEKA, KANSAS

### Scout Badge for Esperanto

"George Emery, a Boy Scout in Troop No. 7, Topeka, Kansas, was awarded the scout merit badge for interpreting. He was awarded the badge because of his knowledge of Esperanto, at the monthly scout court of honor, Tuesday night in the First Baptist Church.

"Bennett R. Wheeler, acting chairman of the court, presented the badge following an examination in Esperanto by the Rev. J. H. Fazel. Emery then was presented a cash award by George B. Morehouse, president of the Topeka Esperanto Association."

—Topeka Daily State Journal, Aug. 24, 1927.

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## AMUZAĴOJ

### EN LA BAKEJO

Sprita Irlandano venis en bakejon por aĉeti bulon da pano. La bakisto metis unu antaŭ lin. La Irlandano demandis la prezon. "Dekkvin da cendoj," respondis la bakisto. "Ŝajnas al mi tro kara," diris la aĉetanto. "Ĉu la bulo tiom pezas?" Kaj li prenis la panon kaj pesis ĝin per la mano.

La bakisto respondis seke: "Se la bulo ne havas sian pezon, vi nur ĝin portos pli facile, des pli bone por vi." La Irlandano nenion respondis, sed ĵetis nur dek cendojn sur la tablon.

Vidante tion la bakisto ekkriis—"Tio ne estas sufiĉa." "Tio faras nenion, almenaŭ vi ne bezonas kalkuli tiom longe, des pli bone por vi," respondis la Irlandano forportante la panbulon.

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